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TO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

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TAGS: ETEL, CO

SUBJECT: EXCHANGE OF TELECOMMUNICATION POLICY VIEWS WITH
GOC.

DURING JANUARY VISIT OF OFFICE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS
POLICY (OTP) ACTING DIRECTOR JOHN EGER, THERE WAS SOME
CONVERSATION WITH GOC REGARDING COOPERATION IN FIELD
OF TELECOMMUNICATION POLICY PLANNING, AND INCLUDING
SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO MANAGEMENT OF RADIO SPECTRUM AND
PREPARATION FOR INTERNATIONAL RADIO CONFERENCES. ON
EGER'S RETURN HE WROTE DIRECTLY TO DR. GAVIRIA, MINISTER
OF COMMUNICATIONS, EXPRESSING OTP INTEREST IN FURTHER
EXCHANGE WITH GOC, AND INCLUDING A PROPOSAL TO SEND
OTP TEAM TO BOGOTA IN LATE MAY FOR DISCUSSION OF RADIO
SPECTRUM PLANNING AND OTHER SUBJECTS. LETTER ALSO
MENTIONED INTEREST IN COOPERATION WITH ASETA, AND
SEPARATE LETTER WAS SENT TO ASETA SECRETARY GENERAL IN
QUITO. AS OF LATE LAST WEEK IT APPEARED THAT LETTER
TO MINISTER GAVIRIA HAD NOT BEEN RECEIVED.

OTP PLAN REGARDING PROPOSAL DESCRIBED ABOVE HAD NOT
BEEN DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY WITH DEPARTMENT. NOW THAT
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DEPARTMENT HAS BECOME AWARE OF PROPOSAL WE PLAN TO MEET

NEXT WEEK TO DISCUSS SUBSTANCE, OBJECTIVES, ETC. OTP HAS

AGREED THAT UNTIL THERE IS A COORDINATED USG POSITION,
THERE WILL BE NO CORRESPONDENCE WITH GOC OFFICIALS.
THEREFORE, IF TARDY LETTER SHOULD SHOW UP AT EMBASSY
FOR TRANSMITTAL, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO HOLD IT
PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. IF SUBJECT SHOULD BE
RAISED BY GOC, DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS EMBASSY REPLY THAT
MATTER IS PRESENTLY UNDER DISCUSSION AND REVIEW WITHIN
USG. WHEN FINAL DECISION IS MADE, DEPARTMENT WILL
CABLE EMBASSY. KISSINGER

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